

Louisville – Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project Downtown Procurement

Meeting Summary March 4, 2014

The following summarizes the meeting to discuss the potential for the construction of noise barriers adjacent to the west and east sides of I-65 at Stansifer Avenue in Clarksville, Indiana. The meeting was convened in the Shakespeare Room at Clarion Hotel Conference Center on March 4, 2014 at 5:30 PM for the Louisville – Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project (Project).

On February 14, 2014, a meeting invitation (attached) was direct mailed to the adjacent residents/receptors that may be impacted by the construction of the potential noise barriers. These adjacent residents/receptors were the same individuals that received the initial noise barrier survey that was mailed on December 18, 2013. An agenda of the proceedings is attached.

Project Personnel Represented

Andy Barber, KYTC	Claire Nichols, Walsh
Dan Burgin, KYTC	Ben Zobrist, BFS
Paul Boone, INDOT	Carl Percy, Indiana Ombudsman
Angela Nichols, INDOT	John Sacksteder, CTS-GEC
Blake Morris, Walsh	Mitch Green, CTS-GEC
Max Rowland, Walsh	Jeff Vlach, CTS-GEC

Residents - Adjacent Receptors Represented (Attached)

Barriers West of I-65

Jean Gibson – 205 S. State Street, Clarksville, IN
Don Boley – 225 S. State Street, Clarksville, IN
James Webber - 130 Sunset Avenue, Clarksville, IN
Carol Jones – 231 E. Norwood Avenue, Clarksville, IN
Denise Steininger – 229 S. State Street, Clarksville, IN*

**Mrs. Steininger broke her wrist on the day of the meeting and was in the hospital at that time. She expressed support for the construction of the noise barrier after the meeting.*

Barrier East of I-65

Barbara Bowling – 102 Homestead Avenue, Clarksville, IN
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Shelley VanWie – 118 Homestead Avenue, Clarksville, IN
Eric and Barbara Robinson – 126 Homestead Avenue, Clarksville, IN

Comments and Concerns

The meeting consisted of a Power Point presentation and a demonstration of noise levels followed by open dialogue between the residents and the Project personnel. The following concerns were asked and addressed.

- What about the property values with the construction of the noise barriers?

The noise barriers would not encroach upon the existing properties. They would be built within the existing right-of-way, thereby not reducing the value of the adjacent properties.

- I have a fence along one side of my property. Will it be relocated for the construction of the noise barrier?

The noise barriers would not encroach upon the existing properties. They would be built within the existing right-of-way. Further coordination is required to determine the location of the fence in relation to the proposed noise barrier.

- How tall is the proposed noise barrier?

At the property address questioned, the wall would be 16 feet in height, but in other locations, the barriers would vary from 14 – 20 feet in height depending on the ground location.

- Are both sides of the noise barrier the same material?

Yes, the noise barriers are the same on either side.

- When will the noise barriers be constructed?

Noise barriers on the west side would likely be constructed in late 2014 – early 2015. Noise barriers on the east side would likely be constructed in mid-2015.

- How many travel lanes are proposed on I-65 after the completion of construction?

For I-65, there would be four through lanes of travel both northbound and southbound.

- For the homes along Homestead Avenue, will the noise barrier be constructed west of them?

Yes

- What is the location of the noise barrier along State Street?

A graphic was used to show the location of this proposed noise barrier at the meeting.

- On Homestead Avenue, there were two houses between my house and I-65, which blocked the noise from I-65. They have been demolished. Will the noise barriers block the noise, similar to those houses?

It is not possible to know the noise reduction that was provided by the two houses, but it can be anticipated that the proposed noise barrier could reduce the noise levels by a similar amount.

- I live in a two-story house. Will the noise be blocked in the second story?

Noise level measurements are not calculated on the number of stories of a residential unit. They are calculated at a typical height of approximately eye level.

- The existing right-of-way fence is immediately against my garage. I am not opposed to the barrier; can it be shifted away from my garage and house?

Mr. Morris agreed to review the location to determine if it is possible to shift the barrier in this location. *(Subsequent to the meeting and after further review by Walsh Construction, it appears feasible to shift the barrier in this location, as requested.)*

Noise Barrier Input Survey Cards

Noise Barrier Input Survey Cards were received from all of the Residents/Adjacent Receptors Represented, except for Mr. Don Boley. Six of the seven responses favored the construction of the noise barriers (two on the West Side and four on the East Side); Ms. Carol Jones did not indicate a preference. A copy of each of the response cards is attached.

As previously noted, Mrs. Denise Steininger broke her wrist on the day of the meeting and was in the hospital during the meeting. She expressed support for the construction of the noise barrier after the meeting. She contacted Walsh Construction to obtain a copy of the Power Point presentation, which she intended to share with her neighbor who had to work that night. She said that her neighbor was also supportive of the noise barrier construction.

NOTICE OF MEETING TO DISCUSS Construction of Noise Barriers at Stansifer Avenue and I-65 Ohio River Bridges Project

On behalf of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) and the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), CTS-GEC is soliciting your input regarding the potential for the construction of noise barriers adjacent to the west and east sides of I-65 at Stansifer Avenue in Clarksville, Indiana. The three noise barriers proposed to be constructed as part of the Ohio River Bridges Project include:

- Barrier #1 - Adjacent to I-65 on the west side of the southbound ramps over Stansifer Avenue
- Barrier #2 - Adjacent to the west side of the exit ramp from southbound I-65 to Stansifer Avenue
- Barrier #3 - Adjacent to I-65 on the east side of the northbound ramp from Stansifer Avenue

The intended purpose of construction of these noise barriers is to reduce the impact of traffic noise from I-65 on the adjacent properties.

Noise abatement measures are first evaluated for feasibility and reasonableness. Preliminary findings show that the construction of noise barriers at these locations is both feasible and reasonable. When walls are determined to be feasible, input from the affected property owners and residents becomes an important factor in determining the construction of noise barriers. Cards were mailed to each of you several weeks ago. Responses from that mailing indicated that a majority of the individuals in your affected community support the construction of a noise barrier.

This meeting is to provide more detailed information about the location, appearance and construction of the walls. The final decision about the construction of the noise barriers will be made from the input from the public and based on a final determination of engineering feasibility and the associated cost.

To discuss the construction of these noise barriers, a meeting has been scheduled for 5:30 PM on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 in the Shakespeare Room of the Clarion Hotel Conference Center, 505 Marriott Drive in Clarksville, Indiana. Informal discussions will precede a formal presentation. There will be an opportunity for the public to make comments for the Project record.

KYTC and INDOT are committed to listening to your thoughts and opinions on the construction of these noise barriers. We are looking forward to your participation in this important event.

In accordance with the "Americans with Disabilities Act", if you have a disability for which KYTC needs to provide accommodations, please call Mr. Jeff Vlach of CTS-GEC at 1-800-382-5206, or send an email to jvlach@b-i-n.com by March 3, 2014.

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**Construction of Noise Barriers at Stansifer Avenue and I-65
Shakespeare Room
Clarion Hotel Conference Center
March 4, 2014 at 5:30 PM**

Welcome and Introductions	John Sacksteder
Purpose of Meeting	John Sacksteder
Noise Barrier Wall Presentation	Blake Morris
Demonstration of Noise Levels	Mitchell Green
Views of Affected Property Owners	John Sacksteder
Other Comments or Concerns	John Sacksteder

Noise Barrier Input Surveys are available to register your opinion on the construction of a noise barrier. Survey cards are available depending upon the location of your residence or business, as follows:

WHITE Barrier #1: I-65 west side of southbound ramps over Stansifer Avenue
 And
 Barrier #2 - West side of I-65 southbound exit ramp to Stansifer Avenue

GRAY Barrier #3 - I-65 east side of the northbound ramp from Stansifer Avenue

After you have completed a survey, please return it to one of the Project representatives. Thank you for your cooperation.



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Shakespeare Room
Clarion Hotel Conference Center
March 4, 2014 at 5:30 PM**

NAME	ADDRESS
JEAN Gibson	Street: 205 S. State St City, State, Zip: Clarksville, IN 47129
Don Boley	Street: 225 S State St. City, State, Zip: _____
Barbara Bowling	Street: 127 N. Bayly Ave. City, State, Zip: Louisville, Ky, 40206
JAMES WEBBER	Street: 130 SUNSET AVE City, State, Zip: CLARKSVILLE IN 47129
Carol Jones	Street: 231 E 71stwood Ave City, State, Zip: Clarksville, IN
Shelley Van Wic	Street: 118 Homestead Ave City, State, Zip: CLARKSVILLE, IN 47129
ERIC ROBINSON	Street: 126 HOMESTEAD AVE City, State, Zip: C-VILLE 47129
Barbara Robinson	Street: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

WEST SIDE

NOISE BARRIER INPUT SURVEY

Thank you for participating in this survey. One survey per household is requested.

Name: JAMES WEBER

Mailing Address: 130 SUNSET AVE CLARKSVILLE IN
47129

Property Address (if different from Mailing Address); _____

Are you the property owner? YES

Do you want the construction of a noise barrier? YES NO

Additional Comments and Concerns: _____

NOISE BARRIER INPUT SURVEY

Thank you for participating in this survey. One survey per household is requested.

Name: Carol Jones

Mailing Address: 231 E. Norwood Ave

Property Address (if different from Mailing Address); _____

Are you the property owner? Yes

Do you want the construction of a noise barrier? YES NO

Additional Comments and Concerns: Our home sits on 1/2 acre property line
would like more in front fence
to reduce noise

NOISE BARRIER INPUT SURVEY

Thank you for participating in this survey. One survey per household is requested.

Name: JEAN Gibson

Mailing Address: PO Box 215
Jeffersonville, IN 47131-0215

Property Address (if different from Mailing Address): 205 S. State St, Clarksville, IN

Are you the property owner? Yes

Do you want the construction of a noise barrier? YES NO

Additional Comments and Concerns: Please put up!
As soon as possible!

The walls must be built

NO OBJECTIONS!!

EAST SIDE

NOISE BARRIER INPUT SURVEY

Thank you for participating in this survey. One survey per household is requested.

Name: Barbara Robinson

Mailing Address: 126 Homestead Ave, IN

Property Address (if different from Mailing Address); _____

Are you the property owner? yes

Do you want the construction of a noise barrier? YES NO

Additional Comments and Concerns: _____

NOISE BARRIER INPUT SURVEY

Thank you for participating in this survey. One survey per household is requested.

Name: Van Wie's

Mailing Address: 118 Homestead Ave, Clarksville, IN 47129

Property Address (if different from Mailing Address); _____

Are you the property owner? yes

Do you want the construction of a noise barrier? YES NO

Additional Comments and Concerns: _____

NOISE BARRIER INPUT SURVEY

Thank you for participating in this survey. One survey per household is requested.

Name: Barbara & Ed Bowling

Mailing Address: 122 N. Bayly Ave
Louisville Ky, 40206

Property Address (if different from Mailing Address): 102 Homestead Ave

Are you the property owner? Yes

Do you want the construction of a noise barrier? YES NO

Additional Comments and

Concerns: The noise of more traffic will be unbearable for residents on Homestead already great noise from I-65 and business of trucking Co. and a piggly wack terminal with loud semis in and out 24 hrs a day

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Name: Ed & Barbara Bowling

Mailing Address: 122 N. Bayly Ave.
Louisville Ky, 40206

Property Address (if different from Mailing Address): 104 Homestead Ave

Are you the property owner? Yes

Do you want the construction of a noise barrier? YES NO

Additional Comments and

Concerns: The noise of additional traffic will be unbearable for residents on Homestead already great noise I-65 and business of trucking Co. and Piggly Wack terminal 24 hrs. day